

New York – Tonight, U.S. Representative Brad Miller, the current author of the Janey Ensminger Act, will attend the premiere of the documentary Semper Fi: Always Faithful at the Tribeca Film Festival. The film is based on the life of former Marine Master Sergeant Jerry Ensminger who has made it his life's work to investigate the cause of his daughter's death at Camp Lejeune North Carolina. In addition, the film features some of the Congressman's legislative and investigative work on the toxic water at Camp Lejeune.

Ensminger's daughter, nine-year old Janey, died of a rare leukemia. Her father's search for answers led him to the discovery of one of the largest water contamination cover-ups in history.

Rep. Miller first introduced the Janey Ensminger Act in the House with U.S. Rep. John Dingell last year. The bill would require the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide health care to veterans and their family members who have experienced adverse health effects as a result of exposure to contaminated well water at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

"I intend to reintroduce the Janey Ensminger Act when I return to Washington," said Rep. Miller. "More than a million Marines or their families were affected by the toxic drinking water at Camp Lejeune. Passing this legislation is the next step in acknowledging responsibility for the harm the water contamination has done and providing justice for families like Jerry's."

Marines and their families who lived at Camp Lejeune between 1957 and 1987 drank and bathed in water contaminated with "known human carcinogens" benzene and vinyl chloride and "probable human carcinogens" such as Trichloroethylene (TCE) and Tetrachloroethylene (PCE).

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